MTAC Workgroup 169: Refine Parcel Machinability Standards

Meeting date: May 4, 2015 (#11) **Meeting format:** web/phone

Attendees:

Name	Company
Angelo Anagnostopoulos	GrayHair Software, Inc.
Bob Schimek	Satori Software Inc
Chet King	UPS MI
Debra Hutton	Hibu
Doug Ferguson	Newgistics Inc
Erv Drewek	Graphic Communications
Jody Bernblatt	GrayHairAdvisors
John Medeiros	DHL eCommerce
JP Thorpe	Engineering Innovation Inc
Paul Klovackas	Pitney Bowes
Phil Thompson	Quad
Richard Porras (Lead)	Newgistics Inc
Roger Franco	Newgistics Inc
Audrey Meloni	USPS, Classification Specialist, Product Classification
Becky Dobbins	USPS, Manager Product Classification
Cathy Moon (Lead)	USPS, Manager, Operations Integration & Support
Christian Rivera (Lead)	USPS, Opns Industrial Engineer, Opns Integration & Support
Chuck Tricamo	USPS, Manager, Pricing & Classification Service Center (PCSC)
Don Close	USPS, Scanning Technology Specialist, Engineering Package Technology
George Coupar	USPS. Manager, Material Handling & Engineering
Jo Ann Wilson	USPS, Strategic Account Manager

Agenda:

Poly Bags Concerns, as presented by USPS

Notes:

- Comment that poorly applied barcodes can be tracked by report from Juliann Hess showing scan vs. data key
 - o USPS belief that data keys are more problematic due to high miskey rate
- USPS concern for "one size fits all" poly bag
 - o Limited sizes due to additional costs related to multiple sizes and inventory
 - Automated fulfillment/production lines limit the options for modifying excess selvage
- Discussed friction coefficient/tackiness of poly
 - Suggestion to possibly establish certified poly vendors such is done with flats
- Presented data on missents related to polybags and the increase in flyovers/unders
- Concern that mail owners are not adequately represented within this workgroup
 - Action: Issue announcement requesting participation from mail owners, specifically referencing poly bags; distribute through associations (e.g. MTAC, ACMA, pharmaceuticals association, Parcel Shippers, PostCom, etc.)
- Discussed frequency of meetings and proposal to move to bi-weekly meetings beginning in June; May 11 is the last meeting this month as May 18 is the Postal Forum and May 25 is Memorial Day

Next meeting: Monday, May 11, 2-3 PM EDT – Review announcement requesting mail owner participation within the workgroup